



# United States Army

## World Class Athlete Program

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### Army Olympian Profile: Sgt. Tuffield “Tuffy” Latour



**Men’s Bobsled**  
**U.S. Head Coach**

**Date of Birth:**  
**June 24, 1968**

**Hometown:**  
**Saranac Lake, N.Y.**

**Military Occupation:**  
**Carpenter**

**Military Rank:**  
**Sergeant E-5**

#### 2002 Winter Olympics Finish: Gold Medal, USA II

**Sgt. Latour** is the Head Coach for the U.S. Olympic Men’s Bobsled team, formerly the driving coach for the U.S. Women’s Team. Some of his coaching achievements over the past three years include:

- Gold medal 2002 Winter Olympic Games, Women’s Bobsled
- Silver medal 2003 Men’s Bobsled 4-man World Championships
- Bronze medal 2004 Men’s Bobsled 4-man World Championships
- US Men’s Bobsled Team named USOC Team of the Month in Dec. 2003 and Feb. 2004
- Gold, Silver, Bronze medals at the US Bobsled Olympic Trials 2001
- 6 Gold, 3 Silver, and 3 Bronze medals at the 2001/2000 World Cups
- Silver medal at the 2000/2001 World Championships

Sgt. Latour has 8 years experience as a bobsled driver with top 10 finishes in 2-man and 4-man Europa Cup, World Cup, World Championships and World Push Championships between 1993 and 1997. He is the track record-holder on Lake Placid (54.72). He has also competed in Skeleton, placing 1st at the 1996 U.S. National Push Championships.

Sgt. Latour is a member of the U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program. He entered the Army in June 1995 after prior service with the U.S. Air Force where he completed basic training in December 1986 and advanced individual training in February 1987. He is a graduate of the Air Force Noncommissioned Officer Leadership School and a 2001 honor graduate of the Army Basic NCO Course.

Sgt. Latour’s grandfather was a member of the 1948 U.S. Olympic Bobsled team as a driver. He says he loves the sport because “of my family history in bobsled and the feeling I’ve had ever since I started the sport – I was born to bobsled and be a coach.”